

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Noel D. MATCHETT et al.

Serial No.: 09/838,123

Filed: April 20, 2001

For: **CRYPTOGRAPHIC SYSTEM WITH ENHANCED ENCRYPTION
FUNCTION AND CIPHER KEY FOR DATA ENCRYPTION
STANDARD**

ATTN: BOX MISSING PARTS



Group Art Unit: 2131

Examiner: Not yet assigned

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

August 20, 2001

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated June 20, 2001, enclosed for filing is an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-identified patent application.

Also enclosed is our check in the amount of \$460.00, (Small Entity Status) to cover the government filing fee of \$355.00, the extra independent claim fee of \$40.00, and the surcharge fee of \$65.00 for filing the late Declaration. In the event that any additional fees are due with this paper, please charge Deposit Account No. 01-2340. This paper is filed in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures: Notice to File Missing Parts; Executed Declaration
Written Assertion of Entitlement to Small Entity Status



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**WRITTEN ASSERTION OF ENTITLEMENT
TO SMALL ENTITY STATUS**

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Sir:

It is hereby asserted that the inventors in this case are independent inventors and were so at the time filing of the instant application. The inventors, as an individuals, qualify qualifies as a small entity status under 37 CFR §1.27.

Accordingly, it is submitted that the instant application as filed and in its present status is entitled to small entity status. Such small entity status is hereby requested.

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